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2006 MILWAUKEE FIRE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY REPORT

The Milwaukee Fire Department managed 94,468 calls for service in 2006, which was an increase of 2,460 calls (2.67%) from 2005. Of these calls, 14,502 were fire, rescue, or service calls, and 79,966 were emergency medical calls.

- Ø 32 incidents resulted in a greater alarm. This compares with 33 in 2005.
- Ø The department responded to fires that resulted in twelve fatalities, down from sixteen in 2005. The fatalities included one in West Milwaukee, three from the Falk incident, and two unrelated to structure fires.
- Ø Four fatalities were in one- or two-family dwellings (36%), as compared to 56% in 2005 and 75% in 2004.
- Ø Two fatalities were children 6 or younger (16.7%), whereas in 2005, the rate was 43.8%. The overall rate since 2000 has been 25%.
- Ø One fatality was 60 years old or older (8.3%). In 2005, the rate was 12.5%, and in 2004, 16.7%.

These reductions in fatalities in 1 and 2 family dwellings, young children, and the elderly represent positive outcomes in the areas in which our fire prevention programs are aimed. The Milwaukee Fire Department remains committed to achieve ZERO fire deaths in the City of Milwaukee.

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